

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 12 with the following amended paragraph:

[0052] At stage 510, a sequence “227” (consisting of numeric components “2”, “2”, and “7”) is received from a user. At stage 520, information is obtained about how the numeric components map to letters. Assuming that the user entered the information from a standard telephone keypad, this mapping information is shown in FIG. 5b. As shown in FIG. 5b, the letters “a”, “b”, and “c” each map to the number [“1”] “2”, the letters “p”, “q”, “r”, and “s” each map to the number “7”, and so forth.